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THE MULTIDRUG RESISTANCE-ASSOCIATED  
PROTEIN 1 (MRP-1) AND THEIR USE IN  
DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC  
APPLICATIONS

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REPLY TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT  
APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO  
ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES AND SECOND PRELIMINARY  
AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the February 3, 2004 Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures ("Notice"), a copy of which is enclosed herewith. A response is due by April 5, 2004.<sup>1</sup> Thus, this reply is timely filed.

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<sup>1</sup> The shortened statutory deadline for responding to the Notice falls on April 3, 2004, a Saturday. According to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, this response is timely being filed on the next succeeding day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday.